and stakeholders in the review of existing regulations; modifying the requirements for work plans and evaluation reports to reflect that certain participation and input; providing that certain other information may be included in work plans and must be included in evaluation reports; altering the time frame and schedule for completing and submitting work plans; requiring that related regulations be submitted concurrently, with a limitation and exception; authorizing each adopting authority within a unit of State government to issue a certificate of exemption for certain regulations or groups of related regulations under certain circumstances and with written justification; authorizing the Governor and the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review to request that a regulation or group of related regulations be reviewed notwithstanding the issuance of a certificate of exemption; providing for the continuation of a certain schedule and a certain manner of review of regulations under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Regulatory Review and Evaluation Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 10-130 and 10-133 through 10-135

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 10-132.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Government

10-130.

- (a) In this Part VI the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (B) "ADOPTING AUTHORITY" MEANS THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY CHARGED UNDER LAW WITH ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR A UNIT.
- [(b)](C) "Committee" means the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review.
- [(c)] (D) "Evaluation report" means the document prepared by a unit of State government in accordance with this part that results from the unit's review of its regulations.